



City of Wichita

Wichita Police Department

Monthly Report

September 2005

CP seminar addresses variety of topics

More than a dozen topics were presented during the four-day community policing seminar Sept. 12-16 at the

variety of topics including: the history and philosophy of community policing, community meetings and community involvement, public speaking, citizen relations (coalitions and partnerships) inter-governmental resources,

time management, how to conduct surveys, Geo crime, documenting and tracking pop projects and complaints and problem solving.

All of the attendees actively participated throughout the week.



River Community Church, 2130 N. Oliver. There were 28 WPD employees participating including CP Officers, SCAT officers, supervisors and detectives.

The seminar provided information on a wide



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Special points of interest:

The anonymous SCAT hotline has been transferred to TOPS and is now in English and Spanish. The number is the same 267-SCAT

WPD sends equipment to hurricane-struck states

The Wichita Police Department answered a call for help from their law enforcement family and sent needed items to Louisiana and Mississippi in the wake of Hurricane Katrina.

Staff at the Wichita/Sedgwick County Training Academy sent the following items to Louisiana: 20 handcuffs, 100 flex cuffs, 20 leather magazine pouches and 10

body armor/vests.

They sent the following items to Mississippi: 15 handcuffs, 100 flex cuffs, 20 magazine pouches, 10 body armor/vests and 10 gun belts.

Several local media outlets did stories on this effort.



Letter to Chief Williams from KHP and DOT leaders

Dear Chief Williams:

Kansas was singled out in recent news stories for having the largest percentage decrease in alcohol-related fatalities in the nation. We want to offer our congratulations and sincere appreciation for the work you have done to help us reduce alcohol-related traffic deaths.

The news accounts were based on 2004 statistics released last month by the National Highway Traffic Safety Association. The NHTSA numbers showed that the number of Kansas traffic fatalities involving a driver who

was legally drunk declined by 29 percent from 2003. Such an improvement could not have happened without broad support for anti-drinking-and-driving campaigns and your participation in enforcement efforts.

Despite our good work, many people are still dying in alcohol-related crashes on our streets and highways. More than a hundred people died in such accidents in Kansas last year.

As many of you know, the Kansas Department of Transportation, Kansas Highway Patrol and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment have joined together to raise awareness

of traffic fatalities through the Kansas Safe Driving Campaign. We urge you to assist us in our campaign and ask that you continue to support efforts that enhance the safety of our roads.

Thank you for all you have done and your commitment to reducing traffic fatalities in Kansas.

Sincerely,

Deb Miller, Secretary of Transportation

Col. William Seck, Superintendent, Kansas Highway Patrol

Patrol North supervisors work on team building

Supervision at the Patrol North Bureau had a unique opportunity during the month of September to enhance the leadership and team building skills.

On Sept. 13 and 20th, the supervisors participated in Grizzly Adventures at Butler County Community College.

The experience was very fun, challenging and demanding, according to the participants. Team building

activities was one of the recommendations that was made by the internal Race and Gender Committee and it is also a Division goal in Field Services.

Of the 15 employees who filled out evaluations on the Grizzly Adventures experience, all of them said they found the experience worthwhile and would recommend it to others.

The team-building exercises included rappelling, wall climbing and a wire walk.

Some of the comments were: "great exercise", "good learning experience", "teamwork and treating people with respect will get objective completed."



Did You Know....

During the month of September, WPD members received 80 CPRs that were generated internally and 36 that were generated externally.

The Professional Standards Bureau opened four external complaints on members of the Department during September. There were 11 internal complaints filed against Department employees in September.

In the month of September, Field Services personnel issued 6,088 moving citations and 1,402 parking citations.

Thus far in 2005, the Awards committee has approved 353 awards. Of those, 276 went to Field Services, 57 to Investigations, and 20 to Support Services. More than half of those, 58 percent, were for traditional policing; 42 percent were for community policing.

The TOPS Unit located 20 active warrants on gang members and those individual warrants along with photographs were distributed

to the Field. A list of parolees who have suspended driver's licenses also was distributed to the field. They also revoked the parole or probation of 33 gang members.

A Purdue University employee was sentenced in Indiana to 10 years in prison for the child pornography he shipped to Detective Shawn Bostick last January.

As the first unit on scene, the Air Section responded to a dispatched call of an "Indecent Liberties Just Occurred" at Wal-Mart, 501 E. Pawnee. A citizen was able to record the tag number of the suspect vehicle as it left the scene. The suspect vehicle came back registered to an address on east Tulsa. The helicopter crew circulated the area while one ground unit sat off of the residence. In about 30 minutes, the Air Section located the suspect vehicle traveling west-bound from K-15 and Wassall. The helicopter crew gave the ground unit sitting off of the Tulsa address a heads-up as the sus-

pect vehicle approached. With the Air Section's assistance, the suspect was taken into custody without incident after his vehicle pulled into the driveway on Tulsa.

Due to a case backlog, the Administrative Detectives were given another week to present cases to the DA's office. Several DAs were made available to the detectives during the week and 55 cases were presented for charging. Detectives cleared 221 cases during the month compared to 101 cleared in August.

Municipal Court Liaisons Paula Kennedy and Sheila Fisher distributed 534 additional officer subpoenas. The Prosecutor's Office manually generates the subpoenas. Paula processed 106 DV subpoenas, looking up the beats of the recipients and distributing them to the respective patrol bureaus. This was an increase of 51 over the previous month. Sheila logged and distributed 36 District Court appeal subpoenas issued by city prosecutors.

Lt. Morris leaves WPD headed for Wichita State University



Lots of well-wishers were on hand to say good-bye to Lt. Sara Morris on Sept. 23 during her retirement party at Patrol North. Sara left the Wichita Police Department after more than 20 years of dedicated service.

Sara will still be a member of the Law Enforcement family as she has taken a position as a Captain working for Chief Paul Dotson (former WPD captain) at the Wichita State University Police Department.

Sara is well known for the many hours of community service she provides educating teens utilizing her River City Heat race car. She will be greatly missed.

Homeowner confronts burglar and reclaims property

Officers Noland Keahey and Anthony Anguiano responded to the report of a burglary that just occurred in the 10,500 block of west Meribeu Court.

The homeowner reported to 911 that he heard noises in his garage and when he went to investigate, observed the suspect placing lawn equipment and tools in the bed of a maroon pick-up.

Prior to the officer's arrival, the homeowner confronted the burglar and retrieved his property from the pick-up. The suspect left the scene, and the home-owner reported that there was no other property in the bed of the pick-up, but he had noticed some damage to the left front and a piece of card board covering the license plate.

A short time later, Officer Brad Haught was in the area of

Maple and 119th West, when he saw a maroon pick-up traveling east bound on Maple.

He spotted a lawn mower and other equipment in the bed of the pick-up. Based on the aforementioned residential burglary occurring on Meribeu, he followed the pick-up to the area of 111th and Kellogg where he initiated a traffic stop.

As Officer Haught approached the driver's side of the pick-up, he noticed a lawn mower, an air compressor, gas cans, and other equipment. However, what stuck out the most to Officer Haught, was a piece of cardboard cut out to the size similar to a license plate also laying in the bed.

Officer Haught identified the driver and arrested him for driving on a suspended license. Officer Haught directed Officers Jeff Taylor and Daniel Boone to re-contact

the burglary victim to see if he could identify the pick-up truck or the suspect.

The victim was able to identify the suspect as the same person he saw in his garage stealing his property. However, the property found in the suspect's pick-up truck was not identified as belonging to this victim.

Around 5 p.m. that same day, two more individuals contacted 911 to report burglaries of their residences (garages). The property (mowers, tools, and compressor) from both cases was recovered and returned to them.

The suspect booked for aggravated burglary, two counts burglary, three counts theft and driving on a suspended driver's license.

Shoe print helps solve burglaries in west Wichita

Officer Sandy Mackey worked an attempted burglary in the 200 block of north Exposition. During her field investigation, she observed and documented shoe prints on the ground near the south door of the detached garage.

Through her investigation, she learned of a burglary the previous night where the same type of shoe prints were left in the area. The shoe prints were distinctive, and Officer Mackey made a mental note and photographed them. The original burglary resulted in more than \$800 worth

of tools being stolen, and a witness gave a good description of the suspect.

Later that day, Officer Mackey responded to a suspicious character call. The victim had seen a person matching the description of the suspect from the burglary walk in to the Shamrock Lounge located at 1724 W. Douglas.

Officer Mackey found the suspect inside the

lounge, and he matched the description given by the witness. She checked his identification and found he had a warrant for his arrest.

After arresting him on the warrant, Officer Mackey checked the soles of his shoes and believed they would be a match with the shoe prints from north Exposition.

The suspect was transported to the Sixth Floor where he was interviewed by detectives and then booked into jail.



Records Bureau does well in agency audits

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, Criminal Justice Information Services Division (CJIS) completed two reviews of the Wichita Police Department. Sept. 28 the CJIS Audit Unit (CAU) did a local agency quality assurance review of three phases of the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) and the expanded data elements of the Kansas Incident Based Reporting System (KIBRS).

The Administrative Interview phase examined the way the Department manages crime reports and whether the data submitted to the state/national system complied with the national definitions and guidelines. During this phase the Record Management System (RMS), Uniform Crime Reporting

(UCR) classifications, offense scoring, arrests, clearances, property value, hate crime, quality review process, training and reporting of Law Enforcement Officers Killed or Assaulted (LEOKA) was evaluated based on six federal requirements.

The Records Bureau and the Department did exceptional in all areas. A low score on each of the phase assessments, like in golf, is best. No inaccuracies were found in the 75 segments reviewed in the Administrative Interview phase. The Data Quality Review phase shows nine of the 10 areas meet the UCR guidelines.

The Local Agency Review of the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) program was audited on Sept. 29. The NCIC audit staff reviewed the policies and procedures employed by the Department. The program is assessed using three steps: policy compliance review, data quality review and the record keeping process.

The Records Bureau was found to have a low risk level in

each of the individual categories reviewed. A low risk level indicates that the WPD is following appropriate internal procedures for effective record management.

The Kansas Highway Patrol Training and Audit Unit performed an agency audit of the Wichita Police Department's policies and procedures regarding participation in the system's Wanted Persons, Vehicle, and Missing Person Files on July 28. The audit assessed the Department's compliance with the guidelines and data quality set by the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS), National Crime Information Center (NCIC), Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) and the Kansas Criminal Justice Information System (KCJIS).

The items that were found to need some addressing were replied to and the Department received a letter dated September 15 stating the audit issues were all in compliance. The next audit should be in 2008.



Wichita places 10th in the nation for NNO participation

The Wichita Police Department has earned a national award for its National Night Out effort on August 2.

Wichita placed 10th in the nation for citizen participation in the largest category, which is population of 300,000+. This is no small feat considering that Wichita is competing with the largest cities in the nation.

A big congratulations goes to Officer

Heather Frazier who does an outstanding job of coordinating this event every year, the Community Affairs section, and to all the Officers who helped make National Night Out a big success!!



Department members turn out for annual event



The 3rd Annual Recreation/Competition Shoot was another big success on Sept. 21. The popular event is held annually to promote firearms practice and safety.

Outback Steakhouse provided lunch again this year, and there were numerous door prizes given away.

Additionally, prizes were awarded to the top shooters in each event. Winners of the competition were:

1st place individual: Off. Kevin Hazelwood 48/48 6 head shots tie breaker

2nd place individual: Det. Tim Relph 48/48 6 head shots

3rd place individual: Off. Bruce Mackey 47/48 6 head shots

1st place Expert: Sgt. Richard Brunow 45/48 6 head shots tie breaker

2nd place Expert: Off. Tom Nikkel 45/48 6 head shots

1st place Sharpshooter: Off. Brad Harris 42/48 6 head shots

2nd place Sharpshooter: Det. Bart Brunscheen 42/47 6 head shots

1st place non-badge: Off. Bob Bachman 41/47 6 head shots

2nd place non-badge: Sgt. Jim Krok 41/47 5 head shots

1st place Commander: Capt. Brent Allred

Reload drill: Off. Bob Bachman 140 out of 200

Fly Swat drill: Off. Russell Huff 6 out of 10

Marksmanship drill: Off. Brian Arterburn 90 out of 100

Dueling Tree: Off. Brian Arterburn 6 hits Time: 11:75

Clay Pigeon: Off. Dan Gumm 5 out of 5 Tie breaker 6/6

Cruiser Ready: Det. Russ Fasig 5 out of 5 Tie breaker 4/6

Team Shoot:

1st place: Sgt. Dave Mattingly

SCSO (WPD SWAT) Total:

171/186 22 head shots

Capt. Steve Griner WFD (WPD SWAT Medic)

Lt. Mike Stoffel WFD (WPD SWAT Medic)

Lt. Kevin Vaughn

2nd place: Sgt. Mike Zajkowski

Total: 165/188 24 head shots

Sgt. Chris Halloran

Off. Tom Nikkel

Off. Brad Harris

3rd place: Lt. Gavin Seiler Total:

161/182 22 head shots

Det. F.W. Hoskins

Det. Chris Barratti

Off. Andrew Bantz



Residents rally with police to drive gang and illegal activity out of their neighborhood



A great example of the Beat Team concept recently occurred on the 399 beat.

Officer Colin Gallagher, 399 Beat Coordinator, was contacted by a resident of the 2000 block of S. Stoneybrook Ct. in reference to erratic driving and suspicious activity coming from a nearby residence.

In response, he contacted other neighbors, and the offenders, about the driving complaint. It was immediately apparent that the offenders were gang members and associates, who obviously did not belong in that neighborhood.

Bringing in the first and second watch officers, they talked with the neighborhood residents and found that there was a potential vehicle strip shop running during the evening hours out of the garage. At this point, the Beat Team called upon the Gang Unit (investigators and officers) and notified detectives in the Larceny, and Auto Theft sections.

The First and Second watch officers remained in constant contact with the residents of the neighborhood and supplied them with general gang information

and surveillance logs so residents could log any activity that they saw throughout the night and day.

The Third and Forth Watch Officers, as well as SCAT Officers, were also apprised of the problem.

During the day, the Coordinator and beat officers met with the HOA president (the builder and developers of the neighborhood) who offered no assistance.

The Officers later met with the landlord of the problem residence, who also showed resistance in addressing the issue.

In the meantime, the residents of the neighborhood were organizing and sharing information on a daily basis. They collected, and shared with police, a lot of valuable information on who was coming and going from the problem residence, and when the suspicious activity was occurring.

This information led to increased involvement from the Investigations Division and SCAT, and helped the daytime Officers address the other responsible parties (HOA members and landlord).

Third and Fourth watch officers and SCAT Officers monitored the residence throughout the night and stopped associated vehicles, resulting in numerous warrant arrests.

The neighborhood residents

held three meetings to get the maximum amount of information out to the entire neighborhood.

Many of the residents did not know one another initially, but after meeting, found themselves bound by some common bonds and concerns, even though they came from different cultures.

With pressure from the residents of the neighborhood, and the constant police presence in the area, the landlord finally evicted the problem residents.

As the problem residents began moving from the residence, neighbors noticed individuals that the Police Department had warned them to be on the look out for, and they contacted 911.

Second, Third, SCAT and Gang Officers arrived to confront the suspects. After extensive investigation, the individuals were found to be wanted out of Garland, TX, for aggravated kidnapping and probation violations, along with a number of warrants and charges through the City and County.

The neighborhood began a large neighborhood watch with the assistance of Community Affairs Officer Heather Frazier. The residents have remained active with their community, and with the Police Department, and now have a neighborhood free of gang activity.

Residents held three meetings to share information.



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**Field Services
Captains joined
their employees
for a day of
competition at the
Range.**

Field Captains



Quick response leads to arrest of robber

Sgt. Bruce Watts responded to a call of a larceny that had just occurred at the Dillon's Food Store, located at 9450 E. Harry on Sept. 16.

An 81-year-old woman had been the victim of a strong-arm robbery and the suspect had fled with an unknown female who was driving the get-away vehicle.

Dispatch put out the tag number and a description of the suspect vehicle which was a turquoise Pontiac Grand Am.

Sgt. Watts spotted the get-away vehicle at Harry and Woodlawn and he stopped it just north of Harry.

The robbery suspect immediately got out and fled on foot into a nearby apartment complex.

Sgt. Watts maintained custody of the female driver and while watching the suspect, quickly gave out the last known direction as the suspect ran through Boston Park,

over an eight foot fence, and into an apartment complex.

SRO Carlton Rodgers responded on his own from Curtis Middle School without being dispatched, along with Traffic Officer Brad Carver.

Sgt. Watts maintained custody of the get-away driver, and at the same time, visual contact with the suspect, while relaying his direction to 911.

This allowed Officer Rodgers to quickly spot the suspect. After a short foot chase, Officers took the suspect into custody. The man was out on parole for an earlier robbery of a Dillon's store.

The victim was able to identify the suspect.

Sgt. Watts interviewed the victim and determined she had received an injury to her thumb as the suspect had forcibly taken the purse from her. Due to her bruising and some swelling, Sgt.

Watts made sure the injury was photographed and he instructed the reporting Officer to classify the case as a robbery from person, not a larceny.

Officer Carver was able to recover the purse, and Sgt. Watts made sure it was photographed and returned to the victim.

Sgt. Watts and the Officers are to be commended for their quick response in the field.

